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### THE ROYAL WESTERN YACHT CLUB OF ENGLAND AND PORT OF PLYMOUTH REGATTA.

THIS is one of the greatest aquatic events of the year, and is always attended with brilliant success. Time was when the port of Plymouth held its regatta independent of the Royal Western Yacht Club, and the consequence was that Plymouthians had two moderately good aquatic events each year. Instead of as now, one of the most celebrated of which we can boast. There was a constant jealousy between the port and the Club, but happily for the interests of this great town, all petty feeling has ceased to exist, and the two committees work together in an admirable manner. The people of Plymouth subscribe largely towards this aquatic festival, and the prize list is always of sufficient magnitude to induce the owners of the very best craft to contend for the splendid plate offered them.

There is no other port in the United Kingdom possessing such facilities for a regatta as at Plymouth, with its glorious Hoe, sloping down towards the sea-beach, and offering accommodation for tens of thousands of sightseers; its noble harbour and far stretching sound; its Drake's Island; its Mount Edgcumbe; its Penlee Point; its breakwater; and its docks, presenting on a fine day a scene not to be excelled, and quite warranting the determination of that Spanish admiral who, when he came in sight of the place, at the head of his flotilla, resolved to make it his head-quarters for life; the which resolution being, however, defeated by Sir Francis Drake, who, unfortunately for the Spaniard, preferred giving him a thorough drubbing and sending him home again to permitting him to pass his life in ease under the shade of the noble park of Mount Edgcumbe. We have frequently noted the fact that, in spite of the well-known character Plymouth has for its humid atmosphere and incessant "drizzle," it is pretty safe to be fine on the day appointed for the regatta. The elements are, in the majority of cases, propitious, and it is but seldom that a calm mars the sport, and deters the yachts from trying over the course; but, when this is the case, ample amends are always made in the

number and quality of the rowing matches, which are of a character to be seen in no other place, consisting, as they generally do, of races between men of war pinnaces and gigs; dockyard pinnaces and the boats propelled by the notorious Saltash women. It is a glorious sight to see those gigantic boats shot through the water by the united efforts of a score or two stalwart men, going as has been truthfully said, "with the precision of a finely constructed piece of machinery;" but it is still more diverting to see the contest of the Saltash women in their gay coloured print dresses and their snow-white jackets, sending along their cockle skiffs with the speed of lightning. This must be witnessed to be thoroughly enjoyed, and we earnestly impress upon our readers the fact that they will lose a great treat if, when they are in the West of England during a regatta week, they do not witness a Saltash contest. In the first place they can see no better specimen of the art of rowing, in the second they will get a few lessons in the art of self-defence, and in the third place they will hear such "chaff" as will induce them to believe that the quiteness of all that is humorous must have been instilled into the composition of the aquatic ladies, but had become a little impaired by a slight Billingsgate influence of an undesirable character. The scene alongside the committee barge is always of the richest kind, and entirely baffles description. It generally begins with a laugh, progresses into smart badinage, develops into warm satire, becomes matured into a red-hot row, which finds a culminating point in a general *note*, in which oars and tongues create such a confusion as to give one an idea of another Babel in the shape of a flotilla of cockle-skiffs manned—or womaned—by the fair denizens of Saltash. In the race there is sure to be some foiling, which is foiling in more than one sense of the word. But to give *les dames de Saltash* their due, they are splendid rowers, and on any mile of water between Drake's Island and the Royal Albert Bridge, at their own native place, they can, and will, bid defiance to all comers.

**QUOITS.**—The match between T. Welch and T. Dewhurst, of Bolton, sixty-one up, Dewhurst to receive ten shots start, 25 a side, will take place to-day, Saturday, at the Waterfall Grounds, Bolton. Shift-sticking clay ends, 18 yds, pins half-inch in sight, each to choose own quoits. Play to commence at three o'clock.

### WRESTLING.

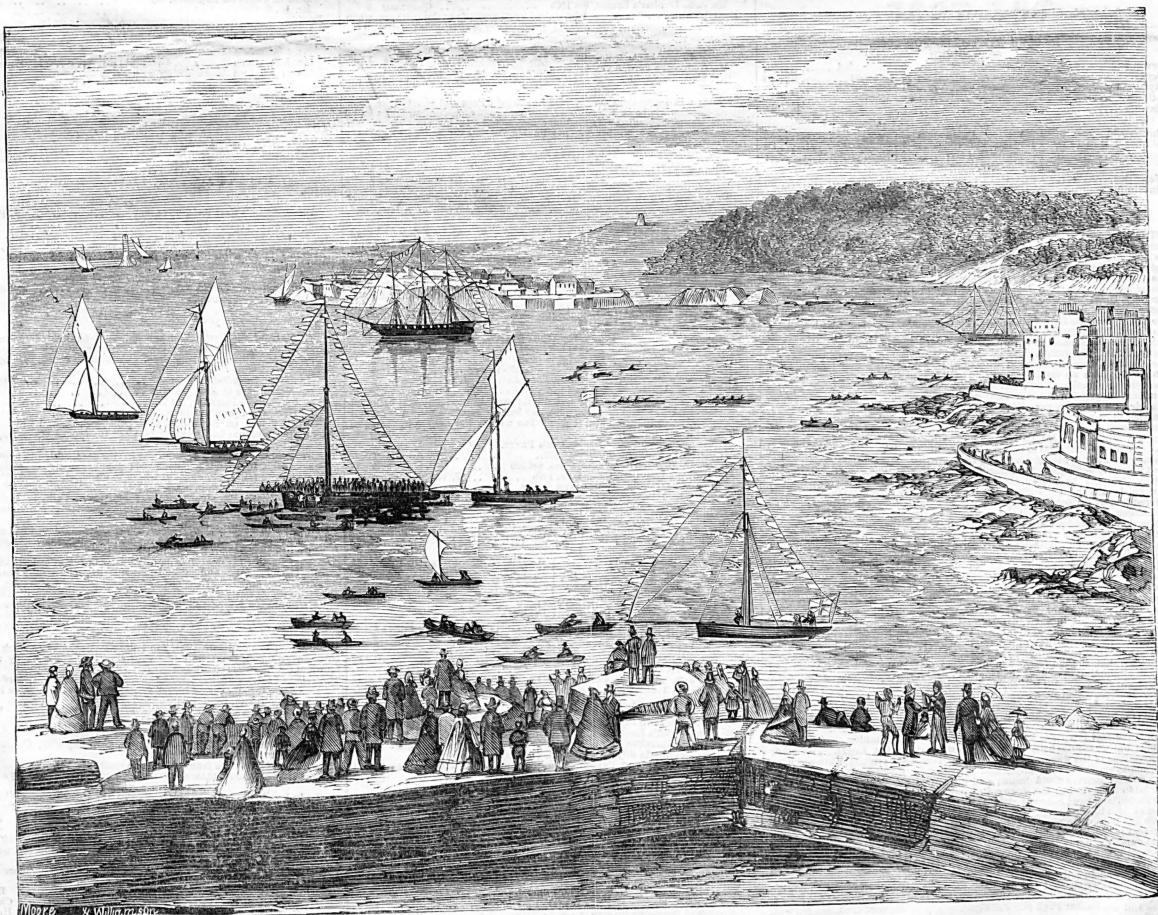
#### WATERFALL GROUNDS, BOLTON.

The proprietor of this celebrated sporting rendezvous respectfully intimates that the wrestling match, announced for September 6 and 13, is postponed, in consequence of a special race, for 210 a side, between Robert Oakes, of Bolton, and Fred Sanderson, of Radcliffe, which must take place at the Waterfall Grounds, on Saturday, September 6. The wrestling will, therefore, be on Monday, September 8. The wrestling money is 16; the men not to exceed 6 score 6lb, and never won more than 210 in one match. Entrance, 2s. 6d. each; false entries to disqualify. Stamps as cash.

JOHN SLEDDER, of Bury, and Robert Holden, of Scout Moor, have signed articles to wrestle best of three back falls, Lancashire fashion, for 210 a side and the champion cup; to come off at these grounds on September 20. The usual regulations. Neither man to exceed 6 score 10lb. The first deposit of 25 a side was received by Mr. Grogson on Saturday, August 26; the remaining money to be deposited on the day of wrestling by one o'clock; weigh at two; in the ring at four.

COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, MANCHESTER.—HOWARD AND NEWTON.—A match has been made between these men to wrestle for 250 a side, on Saturday, October 11; Newton 6 score 12lb, and Howarth 6 score 10lb. Mr. Hayes to be stakeholder and referee.

**KNURR AND SPELL.**—NEWHALL GARDENS, SHEFFIELD.—A swoopstakes of 210 each at knurr and spell came off on Monday at these gardens between J. Hicks, of Sheffield, W. Roydes, of Warncliffe, and G. Chapman, of Attercliffe, twenty rises each. The match was well-contested throughout, Chapman winning by three score only, Hicks being second; he unfortunately broke his stick, or the result, we think, would have been different. The following is the score Roydes obtained.—Five eights, ten sevens, four sixes, and a miss; total, 134 score. Hicks obtained six eights, ten sevens, three sixes, and a miss; total, 136 score. Chapman secured six eights, twelve sevens, a five, and a two; total, 139 score.



PORT OF PLYMOUTH AND ROYAL WESTERN YACHT CLUB OF ENGLAND REGATTA.

(From a Drawing by Henry Saunders, Esq., Scenic Artist to the Royal Italian Opera House, Covent Garden, &c.)

Mr. Barber's Foxhead, 4 yrs, 1st ..... Howey 3  
 ran:—Tithonus, Hecate, Caratrix, Tullp, General Bixio, Pretty Girl  
 Antar, and Betsy Copeland.

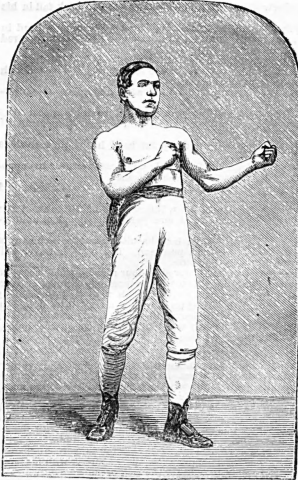


**GREAT SWIMMING MATCH IN THE THAMES FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE WORLD.**

A full report of this great event will be found in our latest edition, issued Saturday morning in time for the early train.

**PRIZE MEDAL.—INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.**—The manufacturers of "Wolfe's" popular Victoria lotions have been awarded a prize medal for the "purity and excellence of quality" of these highly popular remedies, and the following medals have been awarded to them:—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th, and 10th. Each of these medals is valued at £100.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—SHOOTING PAINS.**—These frequent divert attention from the true seat of disease. Many cases of rheumatism in the back, shoulder, neck, and head are daily cured by rubbing Holloway's Ointment over the pit of the stomach, and right side. A patent writer, who has been trying the misapprehended practitioners and givanda is vain, "your dignity" after ten rubbings over the right side, completely removed the misery from the left hand and shoulder, though I believe your Pills failed my cure." This testimony is as encouraging as unobscured almost all rheumatism, nervous, irritative, liver, and can only be relieved by clearing that organ.



HOLDEN.

(From a Photograph by A. Jones, of Walsall.)

## AQUATICS.

### REGATTS AND MATCHES TO COME.

AUGUST.

- 30—West London Rowing Club—Senior sculls.
- 30—Nautilus Rowing Club—Sculls, Putney to Hammersmith.
- 30—Thames Rowing Club—Gig pair, Putney to Hammersmith.
- 30—Clyde Model Yacht Club—Closing cruise, Gourock Bay.
- 30—London Rowing Club—Eights.

SEPTEMBER.

- 1—G. and C. Williams v. Maxfield and Robinson—Westminster to Chelsea, 410 a side.
- 1—May and Stratford—to row from Putney to Barnes, 425 a side.
- 1—All Saints (Poplar) and Blackwall Regatta.
- 2—Clifton and Rosherville Amateur Regatta.
- 6—City of Glasgow Royal Regatta.
- 6—Corsair Rowing Club—Pairs.

### POPLAR AND BLACKWALL LANDSMEN'S REGATTA.

This event came off on Monday last, and proved a most successful and extremely well contested affair. The competitors were landmen, and the competition was for money prizes and a silver cup. The following is a return of the positions of the several competitors in the five heats:—First heat: George Patman, 1; William Murphy, 2; Thomas Murphy, 3. Second heat: William Carver, 1; William Woodhouse, 2; George White, 3. Third heat: William Murphy, 1; William Woodhouse, 2; Thomas Murphy, 3. Fourth heat: George Patman, 1; William Murphy, 2; William Carver, 3. Fifth heat: George Patman, 1; William Murphy, 2; William Carver, 3. The final heat was closely contested, and raised some excitement; Patman's victory was, however, most decisive.

### HAMPTON REGATTA.

TEMPTED by the brilliancy of the weather, and the liberal programme of entertainments issued, thousands migrated to Hampton on Saturday afternoon to see the "feathered" at the annual regatta there, on the silvery Thames. The aquatic competitions, for which excellent prizes were awarded, were judiciously confined to the watermen and fishermen of the thriving locality; and we had no less than half a dozen capital heats, the lot being closely contested. For the opening event, the scullers' race, there were four heats. In

the first one, J. Holt, E. Mack, and F. Hedges came to the scratch, and kept well together to within a few strokes of home, when Hedges gave way, and Holt coming on from Mack, was ultimately hailed a clever victor. For the second heat, W. Glazier, D. Cathrey, and H. Snell contested; but Glazier was in front all the way, and won rather easily. For the third heat, we had J. Smith, H. Everest, and W. Richardson, and after a pretty race between the two first mentioned, Smith was the winner. The grand heat was then rowed off by J. Smith, W. Glazier, and J. Holt, and excited much interest, from the well-known qualifications of the scullers. The contest was a good one, the single-handed punting match resulted as under, after some good tripping together for three parts of the distance, when Smith drew slightly in advance, and eventually won cleverly, Glazier finishing second, and Holt last. The single-handed punting match resulted as under, after some good competition:—H. Snell, 1; H. Everest, 2; W. Glazier, 3; F. Hedges, J. Holt, E. Mack, and D. Cathrey. This was succeeded by a double punting match, which engaged the following men, and ended thus:—H. Everest and W. Glazier, 1; H. Snell and W. Richardson, 2; F. Hedges and E. Mack, 3; and J. Holt and W. Carpenter, 4. This was won easily at last. The amusements were varied by John Snell, the "Jolly young waterman," a la Blondin, undertaking to walk backwards and forwards in baskets on a tight rope, wheel a barrow, &c., which performance he got through most cleverly, to the immense delight of the multitude.

### TORBAY ROYAL REGATTA.

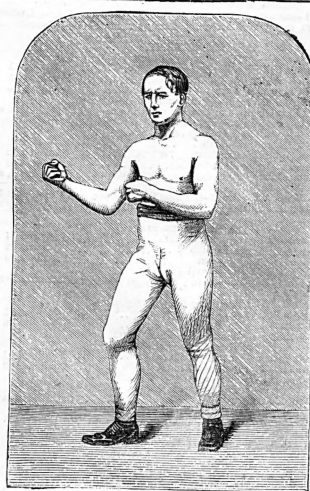
THIS auspicious aquatic festival, which is annually looked forward to by yachting circles with such great interest, came off on Friday last, with a success that has never been surpassed by any of its predecessors. This is, no doubt, in a great measure attributable to the suspension this season of the great counter attractions at Cowes, by royal desire, thereby inducing yacht owners to seek, further south, the sport they had hitherto enjoyed at that port. The popularity which the Torbay Regatta has now gained in the yachting world renders it an object of growing importance, and ranks it as one of the finest holidays in the kingdom. The splendid and unparalleled "racing" ground, the picturesque scenery of the bay, and the romantic beauty of the surrounding neighbourhood, has from year to year, proved a source of attraction to an immense influx of visitors; whilst the spirited arrangements of an active committee seldom fail to concentrate a first-class fleet of yachts, including some of the finest racing clippers afloat.

The day's proceedings were subject to the stewardship of the following gentlemen, who kindly volunteered their services for the occasion:—Sir Lawrence Paik, Bart. M.P., R.Y.S., Hon. Singsby Beetham, R.V.Y.C., R.S.S. Cary, Esq., Jacques Myers, Esq., Major Williams, R.V.Y.S., W. Fronte, Esq., H. Cowan, Esq., and J. G. Lumsden, Esq. and it was very gratifying to observe the praiseworthy exertions which they displayed in fulfilling the respective duties of their office.



MORRIS IN PRIVATE COSTUME.

(From a Photograph.)



MORRIS.

(From a Photograph.)

It was rational to anticipate, from the comprehensive character of the prize list, which this season presents an improved appearance, that some excellent matches would be made up, and that the sailing qualities of some of the finest vessels would be called into requisition. The following is the programme:—First prize, a purse of fifty sovs. for schooner yachts of not less than fifty tons, only; second prize, a purse of sixty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; third prize, a purse of sixty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; fourth prize, a purse of fifty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; fifth prize, a purse of fifty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; sixth prize, a purse of fifty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; seventh prize, a purse of fifty sovs. (time race), for cutter yachts of 25 tons and upwards, *bona fide* the property of gentlemen, and kept for pleasure only; 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Albertine	Tons.	Owner.
Flying Cloud	156	Lord Londesborough.
Galatea	74	Count Bathurst.
Leonora	104	Broadwood, Esq.
		R. B. Hosketh, Esq.

This was a magnificent race, and was watched with exciting interest. As the signal gun boomed forth they started away towards the first mark in splendid style under a spanking breeze, and the race concluded as follows:—

	First round.	Second round.
Flying Cloud	5 56 30	H. M. S.
Albertine	5 41 3	5 43 20
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